

Announcement

First Selectman Freda Announces the Commencement of North Haven's Fall Leaf Collection Program 2015

First Selectman Michael J. Freda has announced today that beginning Monday, November 2nd, North Haven's Department of Public Works will once again commence with its Fall Leaf Collection Program.

The Bulk Leaf Collection Schedule for various town roadways is now available on the Town's Website at www.town.north-haven.ct.us under "announcements" and will be posted in **THE ADVISOR** on October 13, 2015.

Bulk Leaf Collection will be from November 2nd through November 27, 2015 according to schedule posted and BAGGED leaves will be collected through December 11th. Bagged leaves can also be taken to the Recycling Center on Elm Street at any time throughout the year.

To ensure the continued success of the program, the Town has developed the following Guidelines for Residential Leaf Collection:

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- Bulk leaves MUST be placed at the curb and NOT in the Street or across sidewalks. Placing leaves in the streets is a violation of Town Ordinance Section 180-11.
- **NO plastic bags will be accepted.** Leaves may be placed in brown biodegradable PAPER bags at the curb. Bagged leaves will be picked up on a separate schedule, one day after your normal refuse/recycling scheduled collection day. Bagged leaves must be left at the curb by 5:00 A.M. on the designated collection day.
- Bulk leaves are collected from residential properties Monday through Friday in accordance with the established schedule as posted in The Advisor and on the Town's website, weather permitting. In the event of a snow storm or other weather emergency, leaf collection will be temporarily suspended.
- Leaves are collected in the Fall ONLY.
- Bulk leaves MUST be placed at the curb by 5:00 AM on the Monday of your Street's designated collection week.
- Residents are asked to avoid parking vehicles in the street during the collection period in your area. Please do NOT park cars in or adjacent to any piles of leaves.
- Please do NOT mix branches with bulk or paper bagged leaves. Branches may be cut, bundled and tied for removal during normal refuse collection. To protect workers, the Town may refuse

service if branches are mixed with leaves in bulk or paper bagged.

- If leaves begin to blow around, the Town suggests residents either wetting the leaf piles or secure them with chicken wire or snow fencing.
- Residents are asked NOT to allow leaves to accumulate in or around storm drains; this reduces the risk of flooding and protects the integrity of the Town's basin and stormwater system.
- Town schedules have been established to reflect the traditional volume of leaves in various areas. Higher volume areas are normally collected first.
- Weather permitting; Public Works may conduct a second and third collection in those areas with higher volumes of leaves.

Residents may bring leaves year-round to the Recycling Center located on Elm Street. The Recycling Center is open Tuesday through Friday from 8:00 AM To 11:45 AM and Saturday from 8:00 AM 1:45 PM. Brown biodegradable PAPER bags of leaves may be left in the designated leaf disposal area. Leaves brought to the Center in plastic bags MUST be emptied from the bags in the designated leaf disposal area. Residents can use the Center for leaf disposal during the spring as well as other times throughout the year when curbside collection is not offered.

Bagged Leaf Collection exceptions include Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th collection dates. In these cases, bagged leaves will be collected on Saturday, November 28th.

Questions regarding the Fall Leaf Collection program may be directed to the office of the Department of Public Works located at 5 Linsley Street, North Haven or by calling (203) 239-5321, extension 410.